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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
YUKIHIRO NAKANO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: SHOSHO, CALLIE E
SERIAL NO: 09/900,172 :
FILED: JULY 9, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1714
FOR: WATER-BASED INK :
COMPOSITION :

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action of July 24, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.